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Thank you.

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I am clearly eager to get to the State Fair. This version has the correct date.
 David

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Good morning MIT,

It's opening day for the State Fair of Texas and if you know me well, you know where I am today.

Let's me start by saying **Thank You** for another outstanding year as we wrap up our fiscal year and **Happy New Year** as we kick off fiscal year 2019 on Monday. Anne and I know that our success is a reflection of your hard work and entrepreneurial spirit. We appreciate each of you. Please find an opportunity to celebrate with your employees and colleagues.

It goes without saying that Fiscal year 2019 is going to be an exciting year for all of us. We are starting the New Year with a Continuing Resolution through December 7. While that was expected, I believe next year is going to be transformational for Region 6 – a year where we deploying ELMS region-wide improves many of our processes, where our realignment improves our decision-making and operations, and where we are hiring our future leaders to replace our colleagues that are retiring from public service. Of course, it will also be a transformational year as we move to the new building after being in our current space for over two decades. That's a lot of change.

As I mentioned in yesterday's MIT meeting, I think it is a pivotal moment and we couldn't do it with a better team.

To kick off the New Year – we have our new Chief of Staff, Erin Chancellor joining us on Monday. Henry Darwin will be here on Tuesday to talk to us about our regionwide ELMS deployment that will happen later in the month. On Wednesday, we will celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month, Breaking Barriers: Removing Stigmas & Stereotypes at 1 pm. Please mark your calendars.

Acting Administrator Andrew Wheeler is planning to visit us on October 10 and we will have more details soon.

Below is a copy of the weekly report to the Administrator which highlights significant information for the region. This information is strictly internal and can contain enforcement/legal sensitive information that should never be shared further. The RA invitations report is also attached.

Region 6 Weekly Update 9-27-2018

Hot Topics

Donna Reservoir and Canal System Superfund Site, Hidalgo County, Texas

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

San Mateo Creek Basin Legacy Uranium Site, Cibola & McKinley Counties, New Mexico

On September 28, EPA plans to release the San Mateo Creek Basin Ground Water Phase 2 Report to the public. The report results will be used to further negotiations and will be discussed at public meetings in October.

Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma

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Henryetta Iron and Metal Superfund Site, Henryetta, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma

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Major Decisions and Events

Texas Regional Haze BART FIP, Texas

On Wednesday, September 26, EPA Region 6 held a public hearing to take comment on the proposal to affirm our October 2017 Texas Regional Haze Federal Implementation Plan which was published in the Federal Register on Monday, August 27. Industry representatives and TCEQ spoke in favor of the action, while Environmental Defense Fund and Sierra Club did not support the action. The comment period closes on October 26.

SO2 Designations Round 2 Sources (Luminant/Vistra), Texas

Luminant and Texas filed petitions for reconsideration of the SO₂ non-attainment designations for areas surrounding the Big Brown, Monticello, and Martin Lake power plants. EPA responded that we will revisit those designations in a future rulemaking. Luminant has shut down two of the three sources. OAQPS anticipates proposing an action no later than October 3.

State of Texas Codification of RCRA Cluster XXII through XXIII, Texas

By October 5, EPA intends to approve the proposed rule for codification of the State of Texas RCRA Clusters XXII through XXIII. The codification formalizes the changes and updates to Texas' hazardous waste rules.

Houston Redesignation Request, Harris County, Texas

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Arkansas Regional Haze Phase II SIP Revision, Arkansas

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SO₂ Redesignation Request, Independence County, Arkansas

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

October 4	Arkansas Environmental Federation Annual Conference, Hot Springs, Arkansas
October 9	Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) Meeting, Dallas, Texas
October 11	Texas Land and Mineral Owners Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas
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